(ख) यदि हां, तो प्रारम्भिक शिक्षा और व्यावसायिक शिक्षा हेतु व्यवस्था करने के लिये अलग-अलग कुल कितनी राशि की जरूरत का अनुमान लगाया है; और

(ग) क्या सरकार देश में उपरोक्त दोनों प्रकार की व्यवस्थाएं करने के लिये राष्ट्रीय स्तर पर कोई कार्य योजना बनाएगी?

मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्री (डॉ॰ मुरली मनोहर जोशी): (क) और (ख) प्रारंभिक शिक्षा संबंधी कार्य दल ने नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के लिए 79,260 करोड़ रु॰ के परिव्यय की सिफारिश की है। व्यावसायिक शिक्षा संबंधी कार्य दल ने नौवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के लिए 513.25 करोड़ रु॰ के परिव्यय की सिफारिश की है।

(ग) जी, हां।

Demands of DUTA

370. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Government have considered and agreed to meet the demands of DUTA who are on the strike since long;

(b) if so, what are the main demands of the Delhi University Teachers' Association and how far Government have agreed/accepted their demands on pay hike; and

(c) whether the negotiations with the DUTA still going on and if so, whether any solution for the problem is in sight so as to save the future career of thousands of university students who are suffering a lot because of this unlawful strike?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) to (c) The main Demands made by Delhi University Teachers' Association (DUTA) relate to the pay scales, creation of posts of Professors in Colleges, non-insistence on Ph. D degree for promotion to the post of Reader, counting of total length of service for promotion from one grade to another and abolition of the 20% quota for posts of Reader (Selection Grade) and Senior Professor. These demands have been discussed by the Government with DUTA and other apex level techers' organisations. A final view on the matter is likely to be taken by the Government shortly.

Adult Illiteracy

371. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Planning Commission has earmarked Rs. 3,600 crore to complete the unfinished task of educating all adult illiterates; if so, the number of adult illiterates at present till 31st March, 1997;

(b) the total amount to be spent annually on the project indicating to which States higher allocation will be made; and

(c) what criteria laid down by the new Government for utilisation of amount amongst States with a view to achieve the target in the Ninth Plan indicating the States where the adult illiteracy is rampant?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) No such allocation has been made by the Planning Commission for adult literacy programmes in the Ninth Plan. The number of adult illiterates in the country as per 1991 census is 54.73 million.

(b) State-wise allocation of funds is not made by this Department for adult literacy programmes. Funds are sanctioned to States and Union Territories on the basis of district projects submitted by them and availability of funds.

(c) Time bound programme to remove illiteracy would be taken up.

Departmental Promotion of Teachers in KVs

372. SHRI GOVINDRAM MIRI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

(a) whether many teachers who had been eligible for consideration for departmental promotion in 1996-97 and 1997-98 could not be considered and promoted on the plea that their Annual Confidential Reports for one/two/three preceding years was not available in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan Headquarters office;

(b) if so, details thereof-category, Vidyalayas, subject, region-wise;

(c) whether it is also a fact that responsibility has never been fixed though the delays adversely affected chances of suitable postings and timely promotions; and

(d) if so, reasons and justification thereof?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan has informed that a few teachers could not be considered for promotion to various categories of posts for 1996-97 and 1997-98 for want of complete service records. The ACRs have since been obtained, meetings of DPCs held and panels finalised. Offer of promotions are being issued shortly.

(c) and (d) While it is true that no specific responsibilities have been fixed in such cases, instructions are being issued to ensure that such delays do not affect the seniority of the affected persons and that due care and caution is taken to avoid the recurrence of such cases in future.

Pay increase of University and College Teachers

373. DR. SHRIKANT RAMCHANDRA JICHKAR: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what are the details of the recent pay increases given to the Teachers of University and Colleges;

(b) how much burden will this cause on the exchequer;

(c) how do the pay structure compare with the amount of work being done in the other sectors of the economy; and

(d) what steps are being taken to see that the work done will commensurate with the pay given?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMETN (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The Government had decided to give the following pay scales to the University and College teachers:—

Category	Revised pay scale
Lecturer	Rs. 8000-275-13500
Lecturer (Senior Scale)	Rs. 10000-325-15200
Lecturer (Selection Grade)/ Reader	Rs. 12000-375-18000
Reader (Selection Grade)	Rs. 14300-400-18300
Professor/College Principals	Rs. 16400-450-20000
Senior Professor	Rs. 18400-500-22400
Vice-Chancellor	Rs. 25000 (Fixed)

(b) The revised pay scales, as indicated above, including the arrears and pensions would have cost the exchequer and additional estimated amount of Rs. 277.60 crores during 1998-99 to meet its liability towards the payment to the Central University teachers and Rs. 1974.00 crores for the State University and College teachers. Thus, the total estimated additional burden on the exchequer during 1998-99 would have been Rs. 2251.60 crores.

(c) and (d) As regards the other conditions of service like work load accountability, performance appraisal, etc. the Government have decided to set up a Committee to look into the matter and help evolve a self-regulatory mechanism aimed at quality upgradation on a continuing basis.

In the meantime, Government have received representation from the various teachers' association against the announced pay scales as also certain directions from the Delhi High Court for re-consideration of the matter. No final view has yet been taken in the matter.

Schools in Karnataka covered under Mid-day Meal Scheme

374. SHRI JANARDHANA POOJARY: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether all the schools in Karnataka have been covered by mid-day meal scheme and if not, the number of schools which have not been covered so far; and

(b) the time by when these will be covered?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR